RESOLUTION NO. 2014325

RE: AMENDING THE 2014 ADOPTED COUNTY BUDGET AS IT PERTAINS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE (A.4320.67)

Legislators BORCHERT and FLESLAND offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene has advised that insufficient funds remain to pay expenses for court ordered psychiatric incarcerations (court remands), and

WHEREAS, reimbursement by the County to New York State for these costs is mandated by New York State, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2014 Adopted County Budget to provide funds to meet the County's obligations, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is authorized, empowered and directed to amend the 2014 Adopted County Budget as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS

Increase

A.4320.67.4420

Court Remands

\$200,000

Decrease

A.1990.4007

General Contingency

\$200,000

CA-218-14 KPB/ca/G-0167 11/17/14

Fiscal Impact: See attached statement

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 4th day of December 2014, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 4th day of December 2014.

CAROLYN MORRIS, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED
APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS (To be completed by requesting department)
Total Current Year Cost \$ 200,000
Total Current Year Revenue \$ 0
Source of County Funds (check one): Existing Appropriations, Contingency, Transfer of Existing Appropriations, Additional Appropriations, Other (explain). Identify Line Items(s): Increase A.4320.67.4420 Court Remands and Decrease Contingency, A.1990.4007
Related Expenses: Amount \$ <u>0</u> Nature/Reason:
Anticipated Savings to County: \$0
Net County Cost (this year): \$200,000 Over Five Years: \$0
Additional Comments/Explanation: Costs for court ordered psychiatric hospitalization in state operated facilities has risen above budgeted levels. Reimbursement for these costs is mandated by New York State.
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MARCUS J. MOLINARO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



KENNETH M. GLATT, PH.D.

COMMISSIONER

<u>Memorandum</u>

TO:

Valerie J. Sommerville, Budget Director

FROM:

Gerald A. Brisley, II, MBA, Division Chief - Administrative Operations

DATE:

November 17, 2014

RE:

2014 BUDGET RESOLUTION - COURT ORDERED OBSERVATION

The Dutchess County Department of Mental Hygiene is requesting to transfer \$200,000 from contingency to pay for expenses for court ordered incarcerations (court remands). Reimbursement by the County to New York State for these costs is mandated by New York State.

Discussions have taken place with the Office of Mental Health's Hudson River Field Office around a pilot program they are implementing in the region to reduce placements in state operated facilities. It is anticipated that anywhere from fifty percent to two-thirds of our current court remand caseload can be diverted to private hospitals, reducing our costs as well as the state's, through the implementation of this pilot program. The downside of this pilot program, unless additional inpatient beds are added locally, will be that more county residents will have to be hospitalized for inpatient treatment at hospitals out of the county. Unfortunately, it is too late to have any impact on our 2014 expenses since it has yet to get off the ground.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at X-2755.

Encl.

cc:

Kenneth M. Glatt, Ph.D., ABPP, Commissioner

Margaret A. Hirst, LCSW-R, Division Chief

William F. X. O'Neill, Deputy County Executive, Chief of Staff

Jessica White, Senior Research Analyst

Keith Byron, Senior Assistant County Attorney Christian Cullen, Senior Assistant County Attorney

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